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NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

At the January 5th. meeting, the Commissioners voted unanimously to amend the Land Subdivision regulations to require a performance bond or like instrument by developers. This will take effect in 60 days, but the Commissioners may elect to impose that requirement immediately (under the old regulations), at their discretion.

Mr. Seymour has fulfilled the terms of the contract regarding La Trappe Heights. The Commissioners wish at this time to acknowledge this event and thank all parties involved for their patience and cooperation.

Beginning with this issue, *The Index* will be mailed to each household in Trappe. If your copy arrived with an incorrect name or address, Please call the Town Office.



Community news and calendar of events items must be submitted by the last day of the month. Contact Shirley Outten, 476-3364. *The Index* will be mailed on the second Friday following the regular Town Council meeting.

Publication of official notices and the proceedings of the Trappe Town Council have first priority, other items may be printed on a space available basis. In regard to issues pending before the Council and actions taken by the Council, an effort will be made to report responsible opposing points of view. *The Index* will not accept commercial advertising or politically oriented material.

Anyone who would like to help with *the Index* may call the Town Office at 476-3170.

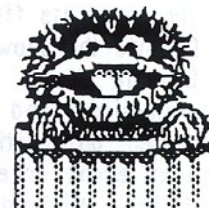
DELINQUENT WATER BILL NOTICE !

Notice is given to all account holders that any balance outstanding for more than 90 days will be assessed a penalty of 5% per day for each day

over 90 days up to a maximum of 25% as allowed under the Town Code, section 15.1. On the 96th. day the water will be turned off, with a significant charge for both the cut off and restart service. Tenants are advised that their water service will be cut off if the landlord fails to pay the water bill.

D. R. J. COMES TO TRAPPE

D. R. J. Refuse, Inc. is the new trash removal contractor for the town. Tony and Butch will be making the pickups. we would like to welcome them to our town. Residents are reminded that trash collection is every **Tuesday**.



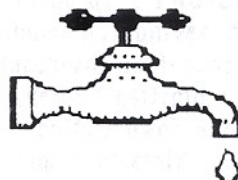
Each residence will be permitted to put out 30 gallon trash cans or tied plastic trash bags. Fiber boxes, hedge cuttings, trimmings and small tree limbs shall be cut up not more than 3 ft. in length and tied in bundles, not to exceed 60 lbs. Ashes (hot or cold), dirt, sod, stones, and hazardous materials will not be picked up. 55 gal. drums and containers over 60 lbs. will not be picked up.

Special trash collection for Christmas trees and other debris will be January 28.

SEWER SYSTEM NEAR CAPACITY

For the year 1993, the Town of Trappe wastewater treatment plant exceeded its limit for allowable water flows into Trappe Creek. The Town of Trappe was **not** in violation for pollutants. The Commissioners are currently looking at possible options to address this problem and will keep the citizens informed.

TOWN WATER TESTED FOR LEAD



Water samples were collected from 21 homes and tested for lead and copper. 18 of the samples had no de-

detectable lead. Three samples had small amounts of lead and copper, all were well below the EPA limit.

The most common source of lead in drinking water is lead solder, once used to connect copper pipe. Some household plumbing fixtures may also be a source of lead. The highest levels of lead are found after water has not been used for several hours. The risk of lead contamination can be significantly reduced by allowing the water to run for a few minutes every morning, or whenever there has been no water used for several hours.

PERMIT FEES TO BE REVIEWED

A new fee schedule which would set the cost of a building permit at \$10, \$15, or \$30 in addition to any MDIA inspection fees will be acted on at the next Town Meeting. (Feb. 2, 1994)

ABOUT TOWN

The Trappe Citizens Action Team (TCAT) sponsored its first event over the Christmas break. Despite the snowy weather, 74 children participated in the three day event. TCAT appreciates the enthusiasm and assistance by those who came and helped out. Citizens interested in organizing the next event scheduled for February should contact Holly Wieland (476-5297) or the Talbot Partnership (819-8067).

Dr. J. Samuel Meek, the new Talbot County Superintendent of Schools will be the guest speaker at WMES on Tuesday January 25th. at 7:00 p.m.. Parents are encouraged to attend, not only to hear Dr. Meek, but to view their children's artwork in an exhibit arranged by their art teacher, Von Volungis.

The TCAT, in cooperation with the WMES PTA is sponsoring a Valentine's Day Sock Hop on February 11, 1994 at the School. The dance is open to the WMES staff and students and the Trappe community and will start at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend!

LOGO CONTEST

WHO..... All Arts and Crafts Workshop participants

WHAT..... A logo contest for the design that best represents the mission of TCAT

BUT WHAT IS TCAT?..... The Trappe Community Action Team

AND WHAT IS THAT MISSION?..... To build our community through having fun together in an alcohol and drug-free environment

WHEN..... Designs should be submitted by Feb. 1st.

WHERE..... Submit designs to the Town Office

WHY..... The logo will go on t-shirts to display the TCAT mission statement

HOW..... Submit your design on 8 1/2" BY 11"

white paper. put your name, address, and phone number on a separate index card and fasten to the back of your design.

PRIZE..... A \$25 savings bond for the best design

For more information contact Holly Wieland at 476-5297. This contest is sponsored by TCAT. The judging will be done by the Talbot Partnership for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Prevention who has funded this program.

MARTIN L. KING JR. DAY



January 17 is Martin L. King Jr. Day, a day to remember this great American leader, a time to renew our commitment to fulfilling his dream of

peace and unity. The Town office will be closed on Monday January 17, in honor of Dr. King. A service of celebration will be held on Sunday, Jan. 16, 9 a.m. at Scotts United Methodist Church.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION CONTEST WINNERS

The Town of Trappe award goes to Marie and Ronald Stevanus, 3830 Seymour Dr.. The Lions Club winners were: 1st, Mary and Vernon Neal, 3766 Rumsey

Dr., 2nd., Renee and Jeff Laramore, 3842 Seymour Dr., and 3rd., Carol and Dave Fisher, 29100 Farms La.. Each winner will receive a \$25 gift certificate redeemable at George's Green Thumb. We would like to thank everyone who helped make our Town more festive for the holidays.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Jan. 16: Service of celebration in honor of Dr. King at Scotts Methodist Church, 9 am..

Jan. 17: Martin L. King Jr. Day - Town office will be closed all day.

Jan. 25: Dr. Meek to speak at WMES at 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 28: Special trash and Christmas tree collection.

Feb. 2: Town Council meeting, 7:30 p.m..

Feb. 11 TCAT / PTA Sock Hop at WMES, 7:00 p.m..

The INDEX is a publication of the Trappe Town Council. We welcome contributions to the Calendar of Events and short articles that are of general interest to the Community. Events reported in *The Index* do not necessarily reflect the endorsement of the Town Commissioners. The Council reserves the right to edit or reject any item submitted.